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SUBJECT: TELECOM 75

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS HAD MEETING TODAY WITH BILL BAZZY, COORDINATOR OF THE AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IN TELECOM 75. DURING THE CONVERSATION BAZZY EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN AT THE ABSENCE OF A COMMUNICATION FROM SEC GEN MILI TO THE U.S. INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION (USITA) INVITING USITA TO PARTICIPATE IN A SEMINAR ORGANIZED BY THE FINANCIAL TIMES OF LONDON IN CONJUNCTION WITH TELECOM 75.

THE USITA PARTICIPATION IN SEMINAR WAS SUBJECT OF SEPARATE DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN BAZZY AND MILI AND BAZZI AND AMBASSADOR DALE. ACCORDING TO BAZZY, MILI ISSUED AN INVITATION TO USITA BUT IT WAS OF A GENERAL NATURE INVITING THEM TO ATTEND THE SEMINAR. THIS WAS CONSIDERED UNSATISFACTORY IN THAT USITA WISHED TO PARTICIPATE BY PRESENTING A PAPER OR PAPERS, AND NOT SIMPLY AS AN ATTENDEE. BAZZY STATES THAT MILI PROMISED THAT HE WOULD SEE THAT SUCH AN INVITATION WAS ISSUED, AND BAZZY ALSO REPORTS THAT AMBASSADOR DALE SENT A LETTER TO MILI SUPPORTING THIS POSITION.

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TO DATE USITA HAS NOT REPEAT NOT RECEIVED AN INVITATION
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MANNER DESIRED. THIS IS A MATTER
OF CONCERN TO BOTH BAZZY AND USITA. IT WOULD BE
APPRECIATED IF THE MISSION WOULD DISCUSS THIS MATTER
WITH THE SEC GEN OR OTHER ITU OFFICERS INVOLVED IN
TELECOM 75 AND URGE THAT THE PROMISED INVITATION BE
EXTENDED WITHOUT DELAY. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE
A REPORT ON ITU RESPONSE. INGERSOLL

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